

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A high capacity composite oscillating device comprising:

a disk-shaped oscillating body having a center which serves as an oscillation loop;

~~n sets, that is, two or more sets,~~ of bolt-tightened Langevin-type ultrasonic transducers (BLTs) having the identical vibration characteristics disposed at regular intervals on an outer periphery portion of said [[a]]disk-shaped oscillating body so as to oppose ~~to~~each other, and:

n phase shifters for shifting the phase of an input to said n sets of BLTs by π/n ;

wherein n is a positive integer greater than or equal to two, and;

~~the disk-shaped oscillating body having a center which serves as an oscillation loop,~~
wherein ~~the~~ said BLTs are driven in such a manner that ~~the~~ opposed BLTs are driven in an opposite-phase mode respectively, and ~~the~~ adjacent sets of BLTs are driven in an oscillating mode in which the phase is shifted by π/n , so that composite oscillations occur at the center portion of ~~the~~ said disk-shaped oscillating body.

2. (Currently Amended) The ~~high-capacity ultrasonic composite oscillating~~ device of according to claim 1, further comprising an oscillating rod wherein a loop segment of oscillation of said ~~an~~ oscillating rod that oscillates in a composite flexure oscillating mode is connected to said ~~the~~ center portion of said ~~the~~ disk-shaped oscillating body.

3. (Currently Amended) A high capacity ultrasonic composite oscillating device

comprising wherein the disk-shaped oscillating bodies are connected in series with
an oscillating rod with while synchronizing oscillating phases so that
ultrasonic transducers in the respective pairs on the respective disk-shaped oscillating
bodies are driven in parallel or independently and connected in series with one or more
disk-shaped oscillating bodies, each one of said disk-shaped oscillating bodies further
comprising:

a center which serves as an oscillation loop, and;
n sets of bolt-tightened Langevin-type ultrasonic transducers (BLTs)
having the identical vibration characteristics disposed at regular intervals on an outer
periphery portion of said disk-shaped oscillating body so as to oppose each other;
one or more of n phase shifters, each one of said phase shifters for shifting
an oscillating phase of a set of said n sets of BLTs of each one of said one or more
disk-shaped oscillating bodies by π/n ;

wherein n is a positive integer greater than or equal to two, and;
wherein a respective set of BLTs of each of said n sets of BLTs disposed on each one
of said one or more disk-shaped oscillating bodies are driven in parallel or
independently, so that composite oscillations occur at an end of said oscillating rod.

4. (New) The device of claim 1 further comprising n converters configured to receive and convert said phase shifted input into two phase shifted inputs of opposite polarity.
5. (New) The device of claim 1 further comprising an oscillator configured to provide an input to said phase shifter.
6. (New) The device of claim 1 wherein said composite oscillations follow a

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7. (New) The device of claim 2 wherein said composite oscillations occur at an end of said oscillating rod.
8. (New) The device of claim 7 wherein said composite oscillations are in a direction orthogonal to a center longitudinal axis of said oscillating rod.
9. (New) The device of claim 8 wherein an oscillating mode at said end of said oscillating rod is an oval oscillation.
10. (New) The device of claim 8 wherein an oscillating mode at said end of said oscillating rod is a circular oscillation.
11. (New) The device of claim 3 wherein said oscillating rod oscillates in a composite flexure oscillating mode.
12. (New) The device of claim 3 wherein a loop segment of oscillation of said oscillating rod is connected to each one of said center portions of said one or more disk-shaped oscillating bodies.
13. (New) The device of claim 3 wherein said composite oscillations are in a direction orthogonal to a center longitudinal axis of said oscillating rod.